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2010 **Games**

City using almost $500K to shine

OLYMPICS Vancouver will spend almost half a million dollars to sparkle during the 2010 Olympics.

City councillors voted yesterday to spend $486,450 from the Olympic and Paralympic Legacy Reserve Fund on four potential lighting projects including the Cambie and Granville bridges and the downtown public library.

Lighting on the bridges would be permanent programmable LEDs that could be used year round or for future celebrations.

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West Vancouver Police Cpl. Fred Harding speaks to reporters outside Lighthouse Park yesterday where a woman's body was discovered.

Lighthouse Park death

Police seek information as woman's body found in early a.m.

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Police are asking for the public's help in solving the death of a woman whose body was found in West Vancouver's Lighthouse Park early yesterday morning.

Investigators were tight-lipped with details about the incident, saying only that the woman appeared to be living in a tent near Juniper Point and that her death is being treated as suspicious.

"I can't say what's been ruled in and what's been ruled out," said Cpl. Fred Harding.

"The officers are still doing a very detailed search of what, for all intents and purposes, is a crime scene."

Harding said a passerby discovered the woman's body around 3 a.m. but couldn't say what they were doing in the park at that hour.

He added he wasn't aware of any homeless people living in the park, but the well-to-do neighbourhood near Horseshoe Bay is usually quiet and safe.

"There are hundreds of visitors (to the park) every day, almost 365 days of the year," said Harding. "It's patrolled regularly."

The 74-hectare woodland that overlooks English Bay is popular with rock climbers and hikers, and has two access points — one from the road and the other from the beach.

It's unclear when it will reopen.

Vancouver police are helping with the investigation because the West Vancouver Police Department doesn't have a homicide team.

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Ex-Miss B.C. files rape suit in L.A.

COURT A Vancouver woman, who was Miss British Columbia in 2004, filed a lawsuit yesterday against one of the world's top talent agencies saying she was raped by a talent manager.

According to celebrity website TMZ.com, Claire Robinson filed the suit in Los Angeles County Superior Court claiming that she was promised stardom but was instead targeted for sexual exploitation.

Robinson claims that she was "hip-pocketed" at International Creative Management (ICM). The term is used to describe a senior manager taking an inexperienced actress under his wing. According to the lawsuit, some managers at the agency "sexually exploited the 'hip-pocketed' actresses" that were brought in.

An unnamed ICM spokesperson denied the claims in an email.

Robinson claims she was "sexually battered in an ICM limousine en route to a Paramount Studio event." The suit also says "Robinson was later raped by another co-conspirator" who she says is a talent manager.

Robinson filed the class-action lawsuit due to the possibility that other women have allegedly suffered the same fate at ICM.

She is suing for unspecified damages.

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Rockers to perform on Canada Day

Vancouver rocker Bif Naked and alt-rock legends 54-40 are performing in Surrey as part of that city's Canada Day celebration. More than 100,000 people are expected at what has become the largest Canada Day event in Western Canada. **METRO VANCOUVER**

Local

Get your tickets to see Elvis Costello

Tickets go on sale this Friday for Elvis Costello's Vancouver concert, which is being held at Stanley Park's Malkin Bowl on Aug. 24. The British musician, left, lives part-time on Vancouver Island with his B.C.-born wife, Grammy Award-winning singer Diana Krall. **METRO VANCOUVER**

Emery licence on hold

Hearing on Prince of Pot's business operations delayed

MINÉ SALKIN
for Metro Vancouver

Pot activist Marc Emery will have to wait nearly two months to learn if he can keep open his three businesses on West Hastings Street.

Barbara Windsor, the city's chief licence inspector, said Emery's company, Avalon Sunsplash Limited, should not have its business licence renewed due to his 2004 conviction for drug trafficking and police reports of open drug use on the premises.

Windsor said the 420 Convenience Store, the Cannabis Culture Magazine and Marc Emery's Cannabis Culture Headquarters had a "significant number of city bylaw breaches" since 2001.

Upon cross-examination by lawyer Kirk Tousaw, Windsor admitted the city was unaware of the full legalities of the B.C. medical marijuana laws.

"I am unaware if the police took steps to see if people were using the lounge for medicinal purposes," she said.

Tousaw also said the drug-trafficking conviction was a result of Emery passing a joint to a political supporter.

Outside the council room, Emery said the city failed to acknowledge the positive economic and social effects his businesses made to the "challenging area" in the Downtown Eastside.

"We're not leaving the community," he said.

Emery's hearing will resume July 21.

B.C.'s Prince of Pot Marc Emery, right, and his wife, Jodie, attend a hearing to renew their business licence at city hall yesterday.

MINÉ SALKIN/METRO VANCOUVER

Extradition

- Marc Emery is facing extradition to the United States for selling marijuana seeds to Americans.

World's best police, firefighters coming

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GAMES An international police and firefighter sporting competition will inject $50 million into the Lower Mainland economy, organizers said yesterday in Vancouver.

This summer's World Police and Fire Games will bring more than 8,000 athletes from 49 countries to the Lower Mainland to compete in 63 events, said CEO Stu Ballantyne.

"These are very high-level sports," said Ballantyne, at police headquarters in Vancouver.

"As much as there are people who are coming to enjoy themselves, a lot of the athletes take this very seriously. This is their Olympics."

The games run from July 31 to Aug. 9 and mix sports (hockey and rugby) with specialty police and firefighter events (police combat pistol) and games (darts, wrist wrestling and tug-of-war). Other competitions include orienteering, paintball and bench press. All events except for shooting competitions are open for the public to view.

Schedule

- For a schedule of events and information on how to volunteer visit 2009wpfg.ca.

Salish Sea name back in play

KELSEA BLOXAM
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WATERS West Coast waters could soon be united under the name Salish Sea after a two-decade-old proposal was revived.

The idea calls for the connected waters of the Georgia Strait, Puget Sound and the Strait of Juan de Fuca to be co-operatively called the Salish Sea, although the old names would remain when referring to the individual waterways.

Western Washington University Prof. Bert Webber re-introduced the idea on May 15 to Washington's Board of Geographic Names.

Webber first introduced the idea in 1991, but his proposal received negative reviews and was voluntarily withdrawn at the time.

Board executive secretary Caleb Maki said Washington's Board of Geographic Names would spend the next six months considering the idea in consultation with the British Columbia government.

"Board members seem fairly supportive of the new name. People are using this term already and we're not going to stop them. There's no name police," said Maki yesterday.

Russia boosts cash offers to medallists

OLYMPICS Russia will more than double its cash bonuses for athletes who win medals at the 2010 Winter Olympics in Vancouver despite the global economic downturn.

Deputy Sports Minister Gennady Alyoshin told parliament members yesterday that every Russian Olympic champion next year would get a $157,400 (100,000 euro) bonus.

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What's online today.

Blogs It's Called Football welcomes CSL commissioner Cary Kaplan to discuss the league's expansion and Sexcetera asks the experts why we're so fascinated by the affairs of the rich and famous.

Coast Salish artist Susan Point with her banners at city hall in Vancouver yesterday.

JEFF HODSON/METRO VANCOUVER

Creative freedom sparks art

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BANNERS After 3½ years creating three traditional welcoming gateways in Stanley Park, Coast Salish artist Susan Point said it came as a "tremendous relief" to design Vancouver's 2009 banners in her own contemporary style.

"It's titled Into the Light," said Point at an unveiling at Vancouver City Hall yesterday. "And when I started creating it, it gave me the freedom to do whatever I wanted to do, aside from working on something very traditional."

The five brightly coloured banners will be displayed on Georgia Street, the Burrard and Cambie bridges, and the viaducts in and out of downtown until October.

The five banners, which are different crops from a single serigraph, make subtle use of Coast Salish influence, Point said. It uses ovals, crescents and v-cuts.

In October, the banners will be taken down and donated to Unicef.

Annual program

- The city's annual banner program began in 1958 to celebrate emerging and established artists.

News in brief

ARREST A 30-year-old man has been arrested in Tofino for pulling what turned out to be a fake gun on a group of people and police outside a liquor store.

FATALITY A camper who went missing near Harrison Lake in Agassiz has been found dead. The 19-year-old Delta man was last seen on Saturday.

JAIL Vancouver city councillors yesterday approved the motion to look at possible locations for a controversial pre-trial jail that was originally planned for Burnaby.

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Ancient primate fossil unveiled
Scientists yesterday unveiled fossilized remains, left, of one of the oldest skeletons of an early primate, a finding they say could further understanding of how our ancestors may have appeared. The now-extinct primate lived some 47 million years ago and was found south of Frankfurt, Germany. **CBC NEWS ONLINE**

Canada/World

Olympic toke?

2010 torch reminds many of marijuana joint

VANCOUVER
2010 Games

All hail — or inhale — the 2010 Olympic Torch.

Or, as it's jokingly known around Vancouver, the Olympic Toke.

Composed of stainless steel, aluminum and sheet moulding, the torch was designed to invoke snow, ice, skiing and skating, but to many, the metre-length white torch looks suspiciously like a marijuana joint, especially when lit.

The observation has become so common in that city that it's hard to know who was the first to say, "Hey, doesn't that look like..."

But that the torch bears a resemblance to Vancouver's biggest cash crop was evident right away to Jodie Emery, editor of Cannabis Culture magazine.

"A lot of people come to Vancouver because it's marijuana-friendly, so I think people who already enjoy a joint themselves will feel a little more kinship to the Olympics," said Emery, who ran this month as a Green party candidate in the provincial election.

"I'm sure the organizers didn't intend for it to look like a joint but that's what a lot of people are seeing."

The association between toking and the Olympics didn't begin with the torch, of course.

At the 1998 Games in Nagano, Japan, Whistler skier Ross Rebagliati won, then lost the gold medal in snowboarding after testing positive for marijuana. The medal was returned after Rebagliati explained he had inhaled second-hand smoke.

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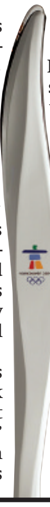

To many, the Olympic Torch looks like a marijuana joint, prompting the observation to become common among Vancouverites.

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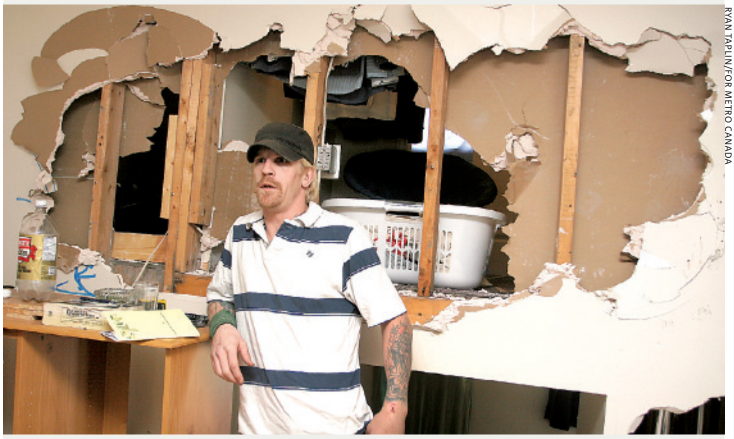
Halifax **One hard party**



RYAN TAPLIN/FOR METRO CANADA

Mario, a tenant at a townhouse in Halifax who didn't want his last name used, talks with Metro yesterday about a weekend party that got out of control. Some 200 or more partygoers started tearing down the drywall. When the hosts tried to shut it down, they claim they were attacked. The damages are estimated at about a few thousand dollars.

News in brief

ENERGY The federal government announced details yesterday of the $1-billion clean energy fund it promised in February, with the lion's share of the cash going to support the development of carbon capture and storage projects. **REUTERS**

OLIPHANT Former prime minister Brian Mulroney admitted yesterday he did not want author William Kaplan to go public with information that he had a business relationship with Karlheinz Schreiber. **CBC NEWS ONLINE**

Feds address isotopes supply

SHUTDOWN Canadian energy authorities closed a nuclear reactor that produces a third of the world's medical isotopes and warned that there could be a shortage of isotopes by as early as Saturday.

Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd. said it shut down the 50-year-old reactor at Chalk River, Ont., late last week.

Major isotope-producing countries and companies are working co-operatively to address the issue of a possible supply shortage, the federal government said.

The isotopes are used in medical research and in some cancer treatments.

Ottawa said it was engaging international isotope producers as well as companies such as MDS Nordion, Covidien Ltd., and privately held Lantheus, which the federal government said plays key roles in securing medical isotope supply for North America. **REUTERS**

Obama sets new U.S. fuel efficiency standards

U.S. President Barack Obama took aim at climate-warming greenhouse gases yesterday and ordered the struggling auto industry to make more fuel-efficient cars under tough new national standards to cut emissions and increase gas mileage.

Obama said the national standards, announced at a White House ceremony attended by auto industry and union leaders, would reduce U.S. dependence on foreign oil and give five years of cost certainty to an industry battling to survive.

"The status quo is no longer acceptable," Obama said in an announcement that will pressure carmakers to transform the industry to produce more efficient vehicles. Under the new vehicle standards, U.S. passenger vehicles must average 35.5 miles per gallon by 2016. Obama said that would save 1.8 billion barrels of oil over the lifetime of the program.

The plan was praised by automakers and environmentalists but will mean higher price tags for consumers. The new program will add about $600 US to the price of producing a vehicle.

The plan resolves a long-running dispute between the government and California, which sought a waiver from federal law to impose its own tough standards on emissions. Obama said a series of lawsuits tied to California's efforts would be dropped.

California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger attended the announcement and told reporters the weekend negotiations on the plan were "very intense." **REUTERS**

KEVIN LAMARQUE/REUTERS

U.S. President Barack Obama puts his arm around California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger after announcing new standards for automobile fuel economy and emissions.

Sri Lanka confirms rebel leader dead

SRI LANKA Sri Lanka's military said yesterday Tamil Tiger rebel leader Vellupillai Prabhakaran's body had been found, and president Mahinda Rajapaksa urged Tamils to join in rebuilding a nation split by a 25-year separatist war.

Television footage showed what appeared to be the corpse of the man who plunged the nation into one of the world's most intractable wars, his eyes open, face bloated and the top of his head blown off.

The military declared victory over the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam after a gun battle on Monday. **REUTERS**

Deadly plane crash in Indonesia

CRASH At least 78 people died in the crash of an Indonesian military transport plane in East Java last night, a military spokesman said. The plane was carrying 11 crew and about 99 passengers when it crashed and burst into flames, an air force official said. At least two people were killed on the ground. **REUTERS**

News in brief

TEEN SEX British schoolboy Alfie Patten, who made headlines earlier this year when it was reported he had got his girlfriend pregnant at the age of 12, is not the baby's father after all, a newspaper reported yesterday.
In February, media said Patten's 15-year-old girlfriend had become pregnant, but after the story was reported, other boys came forward to say they had had sex with the mother. DNA tests have now revealed that the father is a 14-year-old.

CONVICTION A former U.S. Democratic Party fundraiser whose 2007 arrest prompted Hillary Clinton to return $850,000 in campaign contributions was found guilty yesterday of breaking federal campaign laws. Norman Hsu was convicted by a jury of violating election laws by making campaign donations in other people's names.

UN The head of the United Nations said yesterday he had named former U.S. president Bill Clinton as his special envoy to Haiti, the Western Hemisphere's poorest country, which suffered four hurricanes and riots last year. Clinton, who has galvanized efforts to help the impoverished Caribbean nation recover, accompanied Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon Ban on a trip to Haiti in March.

SCIENCE The same part of the brain that makes us crave food and sex may also help determine whether somebody is a warm "people" person, researchers said in England said yesterday. **REUTERS**

Flu could become resistant

FLU Influenza A (H1N1), also known as swine flu, is now widespread, causing a range of illness, and U.S. health officials say they fear it could mix with drug-resistant versions of seasonal flu.

This year its cousin, a seasonal H1N1 strain, became mostly resistant to the most commonly used antiviral — Tamiflu.

Relenza, an inhaled drug, still works. The CDC said more seasonal flu viruses were making people sick than would normally be expected for May, and the reasons were not clear. **REUTERS**

Steeler to skip White House

Pittsburgh Steelers linebacker James Harrison will skip the Super Bowl champions' White House visit with President Barack Obama tomorrow. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Detroit Red Wings Mikael Samuelsson celebrates after scoring the game-winning goal in overtime against Chicago.

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Mikael Samuelsson's goal 5:14 into overtime sent the Detroit Red Wings to a 3-2 victory over the Chicago Blackhawks in Game 2 of their Western Conference final in Detroit last night.

Samuelsson started a rush off a giveaway by Hawks defenseman Brian Campbell, pushing the puck ahead through the neutral zone to Jiri Hudler. It quickly became a 3-on-1 as Valtteri Filppula joined on the right wing. Hudler dished to Filppula, who turned and fed back to Samuelsson for a bullet one-timer inside the left post.

Dan Cleary and Brian Rafalski also tallied for the Red Wings, who assumed a two-games-to-none series advantage.

Chris Osgood made 36 saves for his 10th win of this postseason.

Jonathan Toews posted both goals for the Blackhawks, who look for their first win in the series in Game 3 on Friday at United Center.

Nikolai Khabibulin was solid in the loss, stopping 35-of-38 shots.

The Hawks failed to convert a brief 5-on-3 advantage just after the midway point of the first period, but cashed in on the one-man power play with 7:11 to go. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Sports in brief

SOCCER Vancouver Whitecaps FC are looking for their first ever win at Montreal's Stade Saputo when they take on the Montreal Impact tonight in Nutrilite Canadian Championship action.

NBA Kobe Bryant scored 40 points, sank six free throws in the final 30.5 seconds and came up with the game-sealing rebound in the final seconds, as the Lakers rallied to beat Denver 105-103 in the opener of the Western Conference finals.

NBA The Los Angeles Clippers won the NBA Draft lottery last night and will have the No. 1 overall selection on June 25. Memphis will pick second, followed by Oklahoma City and Sacramento. The Toronto Raptors will pick ninth.

NFL National Football League owners voted yesterday to host the 2013 Super Bowl in New Orleans, the first time the city will stage the league's championship game since 2002.

NHL The National Hockey League and the owner of the bankrupt Phoenix Coyotes must seek mediation to settle their differences on who controls the hockey team, a federal bankruptcy judge ruled yesterday. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Whack a seal, it's our right

Defending our annual stupidity celebration

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As the beer commercial goes: I am Canadian.

And as such, I suppose, it's my patriotic duty to defend our annual celebration of stupidity, the Atlantic seal hunt.

OK, here goes.

The first thing you should know is that this so-called annual slaughter targets only a tiny percentage of the 5.5 million harp seal population, just a quarter of a million of the cutest and most defenceless.

Keep in mind as well that sealers can no longer target "babies." Now they have to wait until the seals are "mature:" 12-15 days old and beginning to moult. This corresponds with the time the baby seals are abandoned by their mothers. "Hi kid. Abandoned by your mom? Welcome to the real world. Whack!"

I must, on behalf of the 6,000 sealers who make their livings whacking baby seals, protest the European Union's ban on seal pelts, passed May 5. Obviously, because the Europeans kill animals (and what about those bull fights, eh? Eh?), they have no right to get all self-righteous about the seal hunt. Don't they realize the hunt is strictly regulated and humane?

> **"Obviously, because the Europeans kill animals they have no right to get all self-righteous about the seal hunt."**

At least as humane as it can be, considering it apparently requires the use of something called a "hakapik," which looks exactly as it sounds, and that the "mature" seal has absolutely no means of escape, except to close its big, impossibly adorable eyes, and wonder what happened to mom.

And those European dilettantes should respect the grand tradition that accompanies the whacking of baby seals.

Our Inuit friends have been whacking same since before recorded history and our noble maritime fisher guys have been at it for more than 400 years.

And surely that is one of the great lessons of history: The longer a brutal, pointless practice endures, the less pointless it becomes, but I'm not sure I want to go there just now.

Let's remember the annual seal whackathon brings 30 million badly needed dollars to the Atlantic economy. When you consider that $30 million about covers the cost of the commodes at the new $1-billion Vancouver convention centre, you have some idea of the epic scale we're dealing with here. Of course, we could just give the Newfoundland sealers 30 million bucks and a gift coupon for Tim Hortons and tell them to stay home, but where's the dignity?

Who are we — effete, urban snobs who eat veal probably — to tell the noble sealers to forgo their storied traditions and stop whacking and hakapiking baby, er, mature seals to death?

We simply don't understand, do we?

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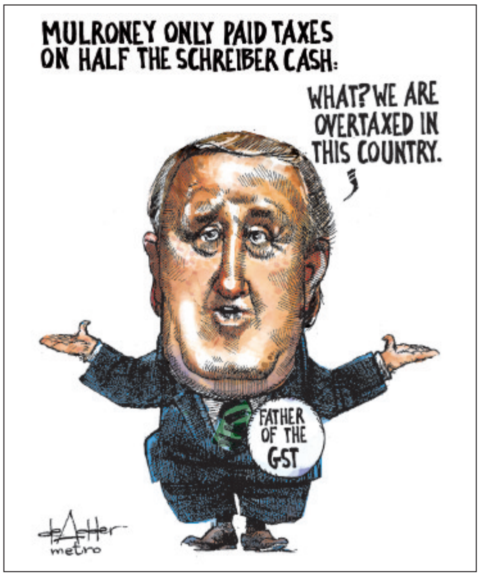
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Word on the street: Where is your favourite spot in the city to people watch and why?

Holly Prince
age 24,
Vancouver
A: There's this place on Hornby Street called the Bellaggio that's amazing for people watching. The people are classy and good looking.

Alison Chow
age 18,
Burnaby
A: As weird as it sounds I like sitting and watching people at the bus stop on Robson and Burrard.

Matteo Bottini
age 24,
Vancouver
A: The beach is always the best for people watching. You get a true blend of people and usually some hot bodies.

Leo Gabban
age 30,
Vancouver
A: I like going to the Library to people watch. I work right by there and you always see so many different kinds of people.

Martice Mitton
age 25,
Vancouver
A: Las Margaritas in Kits is probably the best place. They have a great patio right on 4th Avenue.

Courtney Farley
age 26,
Vancouver
A: Chill Winston in Gastown is a great spot to people watch. There's an array of characters and they have a great patio.

Quote of the Day

> ***"We are not dealing with our grand- grand- grand- grandmother, but perhaps our grand- grand- grand- aunt."***

— Jen Franzen of the Senckenberg Research Institute in Frankfurt at New York's American Museum of Natural History yesterday. She was commenting on the unveiling of well-preserved fossilized remains of a primate from 47 million years ago that may have been a close relative of monkeys, apes and humans. REUTERS

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Q1 business bankruptcies decline: Report

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Business bankruptcies in Canada dropped unexpectedly in the first quarter, in contrast with the trend in the United States and a sharp rise seen during previous Canadian recessions, a report released yesterday said.

Business bankruptcies fell no less than 14 per cent during the first three months of 2009 compared with the same period in 2008, according to the report by CIBC World Markets.

The total number of business bankruptcies in Canada fell 4.4 per cent during the year ended March 2009.

The finding comes just a week after a government report showed first-quarter personal bankruptcies rose by 35.9 per cent.

"Usually the collation between business bankruptcies and consumer bankruptcies is very tight," said Benjamin Tal, who wrote the report.

"This trajectory is completely inconsistent with both the experience seen in any other recession and the current situation in the U.S., where business bankruptcies are rising at a rate not seen since 1975."

Business bankruptcies rose very quickly in both the 1982 and 1991 recessions, reaching close to 50 per cent year-over-year growth rates.

In the United States, business bankruptcies are currently rising by at least 40 per cent on a year-over-year basis, said Tal.

With more job losses expected in the coming months, the business bankruptcy numbers are a positive sign for employment numbers, said Tal.

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> **"This trajectory is completely inconsistent with both the experience seen in any other recession and … in the U.S."**
> Author Benjamin Tal

Central bank sees little need for more stimulus

ECONOMY Canada has less need than other countries to boost its economy with unusual steps like printing money to buy assets, a Bank of Canada official said yesterday, hammering home the message that it has done enough to combat the recession.

The bank last month cut its benchmark interest rate to a record-low 0.25 per cent and made a conditional pledge to keep it there until mid-2010.

It also laid out a framework for quantitative easing — or printing money to buy market securities — and credit easing, but disappointed many by suggesting it had no plans to actually embark on such a program unless there was an unexpected negative shock to the economy.

The bank's next announcement on monetary policy is June 4 and analysts are not expecting any big news. **REUTERS**

Business in brief

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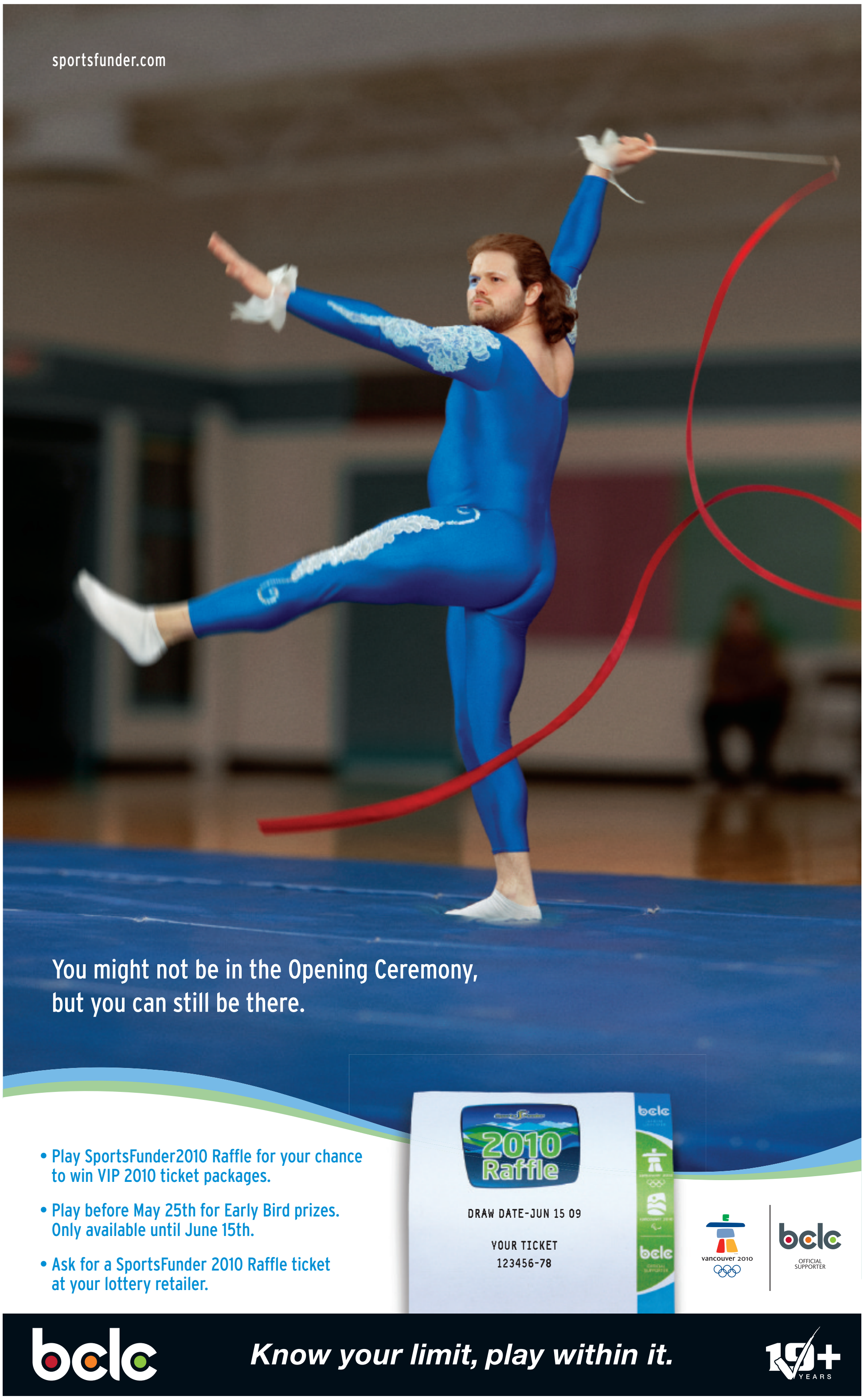
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'A detective of human injury'

Physiotherapists can help injured people live better, fuller lives

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Physiotherapist Victor Vongphakdy poses with a model of the human spine, above left, and seen in a gym/rehabilitation clinic, above right.

When injuries happen, physiotherapist Victor Vongphakdy goes on the case to figure out what went wrong and why.

The 27-year-old physiotherapist who serves clients at the Physiomed clinic in Brampton, Ont., finds the intellectual challenge of his job refreshing because it requires a strong understanding of not only how the body works but how exactly things can go wrong.

"I like to call myself a detective of human injury. I have to deduce from a wide spectrum of what clients may have and bring it down to an accurate diagnosis," Vongphakdy said.

Lower back and neck pain tend to be the most common injuries Vongphakdy sees, with a wide variety of sports injuries also topping the bill. Once he diagnoses the problem, Vongphakdy sets up a rehabilitation program and designs a training regimen aimed at strengthening the body in the right places to prevent a similar injury from happening in the future. He believes in educating clients about their bodies to help keep them out of the clinic by training their bodies to match their physical demands.

"The amount of stress that people demand from their bodies is often more than their inherent muscle strength can handle. Education is key to winning the battle," he said.

Vongphakdy holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Kinesiology as well as a Masters in Physical Therapy and says his background in science gave him a head start in his field.

"My background in Kinesiology gave me a huge advantage because of my exposure to the sports field and knowledge of the basics of training and muscle fatigue," he said.

With plenty of face-to-face interaction with the clients he helps, Vongphakdy says it's easy to find satisfaction in his work.

"I love my job. When I come to work I'm interacting with people, I'm using my brain and I'm getting people better. It's completely satisfying," Vongphakdy said.

An avid sports lover himself, Vongphakdy finds the most satisfaction in helping active people reclaim the ability to do those things they loved doing before getting injured.

"Being able to bring people back to activities that they love that they couldn't do before coming in, that's what drives me. It makes me want to get them there because I share that passion," he said.

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Losing or leaving your job? Some tips to keep in mind

Workplace**Law**

Daniel Lublin

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> **"Criticism may not be agreeable, but it is necessary."**
>
> –WINSTON CHURCHILL

This is as true in law as it is in life, except that in employment law there is always an exception. Here is a sampling of some of the questions my readers frequently ask and the answers I often provide.

Performance appraisals: Can a poor appraisal be used against you? When assessing merit, your appraisals matter. When assessing severance, they are generally irrelevant. Therefore, stars and incompetents should receive the same payouts. This is because poor performance is rarely cause for dismissal. Similarly, there is no such concept as "near cause," which means that there is no correlation between your level of performance, or lack thereof, and the quantum of severance you will ultimately receive. If you are fired and it relates to performance, you should receive the same severance as if it did not.

Restrictive covenants: Very few employees will be held to a non-compete agreement, no matter how appropriately the clause was drafted. This is because, outside of a few key individuals, it is unfair for employers to prevent former employees from working where and for whom they so desire.

What about non-solicitation clauses? These are a different story. Courts have consistently upheld agreements not to solicit former clients or employees after you leave, despite how important you may or may not have been.

Employment contracts: If there is a written contract, it must meet a number of tests. The employee must, at least, have been given the opportunity to negotiate or those terms that are punitive may not be enforced later on. This rule also applies during the course of employment, except that something of greater value must also be offered, such as a raise or a promotion. Otherwise, the courts have reasoned, an employer could unilaterally impose new terms, and an employee would be left without the leverage to negotiate or refuse.

Resignations: A voluntary resignation can be a double-edged sword. If you provide advance notice of your resignation and your employer immediately asks you to leave, you are entitled to pay for the period of time you were prepared to work. However, if you immediately leave without providing notice of your resignation, your employer may be entitled to pay for the period of advance notice that you ought to have provided.

Policy manuals: An employer's strict reliance on the terms and conditions in a policy manual can sometimes be a sham. Rules and regulations found in manuals are only valid to the extent they are known, have been properly distributed, previously relied upon or expressly agreed to. Judges have found that, if an employment contract cannot generally be altered after employment begins, the same rule should extend to policy manuals. Few employers will agree — but in court, a case is never open and shut.

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Costliest bid

A 1957 Ferrari 250 Testa Rossa has set a new world record for the most expensive car ever sold at auction, costing the buyer $12.15 million US, according to RM Auctions, which organized the event Sunday in Maranello, Italy. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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TSX opens door to luxury

Acura model keeps sporty feel despite many refinements

ROB BEINTEMA
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The new 2009 Acura TSX is an upscale sports sedan with many new features inside and out.

Who says it can't be fixed if it ain't broke?

When the new 2009 Acura TSX debuted, it delivered on the promise of a bigger and better TSX.

And those two qualities don't always go together.

In fact, when the original TSX was unveiled in 2003, I remember Acura making much of the fact that the car was based on the European Accord platform, not Honda's domestic version.

The European version of the Accord was smaller, lighter and tighter, with a platform tuned for the sporty character, taut suspension and handling engendered by the narrower, twisty roads of the Old World.

So designers had to be careful not to mess with the TSX's persona and strategic positioning within the lineup, while still trying to make the second-generation car roomier, more agile and more responsive.

The 2009 TSX evolution starts with a wider, more aggressive stance. Overall body-width has increased 78 mm and the track dimensions are 65 mm wider than the outgoing model. The TSX has also been stretched in the other direction, riding on a 35 mm longer wheelbase and the car itself is 66 mm longer. That translates into a larger platform with smoother, more planted handling feel along with a corresponding increase in exterior dimensions and interior space.

Acura has tweaked the performance and emissions of the 2.4-litre all-aluminum DOHC i-VTEC inline 4-cylinder engine that produces 201 hp and 172 lb-ft of torque. That doesn't sound like much of an improvement at first — the horsepower is actually down from the 205 hp rating of the 2008 model. Torque is up 8.0 lb/ft (170 lb/ft in the automatic), but more importantly, the useable power is available across a much wider rpm range, while the five per cent increase in torque is designed to strengthen the engine's pulling power at middle rpm levels.

Fuel economy is rated at 9.6/6.5/8.2L/100 km (city/hwy/comb), in the automatic, as tested.

Two transmissions are available, a standard six-speed close-ratio manual with new (more performance oriented) ratios for second through sixth gears or a Sequential SportShift five-speed automatic with a new lock-up assembly.

The manual tranny was designed with the sport driver in mind, featuring a short-throw shifter and mounted in a lightweight magnesium case — a rarity in the industry.

Any Acura comes well loaded but bumping the TSX up to Premium adds leather seats, XM Satellite Radio, USB connector, front fog lights, automatic headlight activation, High Intensity Discharge low-beam headlights and a two-position driver memory seat. And all this button-happy gadgetry is set into a high-quality interior.

2009 **Acura TSX**

Type: Entry-level luxury sedan
Price: from $37,650
Engine: 2.4-litre DOHC i-VTEC 4-cylinder engine (201 hp / 172 lb-ft)
Fuel economy: 9.6/6.5/8.2L/100km (city/hwy/combined)

Highlights

- High-quality looks
- Loaded with features

There are high quality materials, elegant interior styling and enough amenities, content and gadgetry inside the 2009 Acura TSX to satisfy any technophile or audiophile.

2010 Subaru Forester pricing announced

Subaru Canada recently announced pricing for the 2010 Forester, including the new PZEV (Partial Zero Emission Vehicle) that joins the Forester lineup for the new model year.

The 170-horsepower Forester 2.5X, with a host of exceptional features including heated seats and Subaru's advanced vehicle dynamics control electronic stability system, is available with either a five-speed manual transmission ($25,995) or a 4EAT electronically controlled automatic transmission with SPORTSHIFT ($27,095).

The new Forester PZEV meets the Super Ultra-Low Emission Vehicle tailpipe emission standard (SULEV) and eliminates fuel-system evaporative emissions. Compared to an average new vehicle, Subaru PZEV vehicles have 90 per cent cleaner emissions. The Forester PZEV, with 4EAT SPORTSHIFT transmission, will retail for $28,095.

There's also a 2.5X model equipped with a Touring package. Pricing for this model is $28,695 with the 5MT transmission.

"Forester is the ideal vehicle for people with an active lifestyle, thanks to a comfortable, intelligently designed interior, fun-to-drive performance, and exceptional active and passive safety," said Katsuhiro Yokoyama, president and CEO of Subaru Canada.

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The 2010 Subaru Forester starts at $25,995.

Chrysler unveils new V6 engine

TECHNOLOGY Chrysler has introduced an all-new line of V6 engines that will improve fuel efficiency across the Chrysler, Jeep and Dodge lineup by eight per cent on average compared with previous Chrysler V6 engines. This refined V6 engine will ultimately replace seven current Chrysler V6 engines. The new 3.6-litre V6 engine, named Pentastar, is part of the company's overall $3 billion powertrain offensive. It will first be offered in the all-new 2011 Jeep Grand Cherokee. FROM CARGUIDE

Bill clears a hurdle

The "Right to Repair" bill, which will require automakers to make information, software and tools available to independent repair shops, is inching closer to legislation. Bill C-273, introduced by New Democrat Brian Masse passed the second reading vote in the House of Commons last week. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Scion's iQ aims high with trendsetters

The centre of attention. With a futuristic shape designed for urban trendsetters, the iQ micro-subcompact, Scion's latest concept, debuted at the recent New York International Auto Show.

Scion unveiled a special concept version of the iQ micro-subcompact car designed to meet the transportation needs of young urban trendsetters.

It was shown at the recent New York Auto Show.

Scion's iQ concept is a new urban vehicle with a revolutionary package that is just over 10 feet in length and accommodates three plus luggage.

As more and more urban centers are revitalized with a new sense of purpose, energy, and creativity, young people are moving in from the suburbs to embrace new urbanism and are looking for a car that suits their needs and delivers high emotional value.

The production iQ is currently sold in Japan and Europe. Five Axis of Huntington Beach, Calif. took the iQ to the next level with aggressive exterior and interior modifications that show the vehicle's potential for personalization.

With its 78.7-inch wheelbase, the three-door hatchback can deftly maneuver through city traffic. At the same time, its overall length of 126.9-inches, overall width of 71.4-inches, and short front and rear overhangs allow the iQ to fit in virtually any city parking space.

> **"When not in use, the screen emits a colourful display of light patterns to make the interior even more unique."**

The front-mounted differential and repositioned steering rack decrease front-end length. In addition, the iQ is equipped with a flat gas tank housed beneath the floor that reduces rear overhang.

Pushing the wheels of the small, bold concept towards the four corners of the body gives the iQ a confident stance. The custom 18-inch wheels with a nickel finish and wide tires fill the wheel well, adding to its surefootedness.

The iQ's custom front air dam, aero headlamps and high-intensity LED driving lamps signal urban road readiness.

The iQ features a 10-inch panel LCD screen on top of the center cluster that serves as the main entertainment console and navigation system interface.

With the push of a button, the touch-screen articulates to reveal the entertainment hub. The touch screen can also play movies while the vehicle is parked. When not in use, the screen lays flat on the dash with a translucent cover that emits a colourful display of light patterns to make the interior even more unique. **FROM CARGUIDE**

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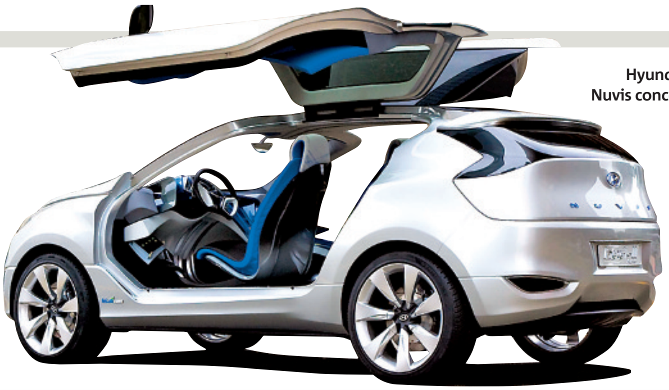
Nuvis: Urban utility redefined


Hyundai's Nuvis concept.

The world can now to peer into Hyundai's future with the introduction of the Nuvis concept at the recently concluded 2009 New York International Auto Show.

The Nuvis is the eleventh signature concept car to be designed at the company's California Design Center in Irvine, Calif.

In addition to showcasing the brand's cutting-edge capabilities, Nuvis also hints at a possible design direction for a future-generation crossover, blending attributes of a tall urban car and a premium utility vehicle.

Consistent with Hyundai's pledge to lead all brands in U.S. fuel economy by 2015, Nuvis is powered by Hyundai's Hybrid Blue Drive architecture, which uses breakthrough lithium polymer battery technology.

Hyundai's all-new, homegrown Hybrid Blue Drive architecture helps define the Nuvis concept. Hyundai's proprietary parallel hybrid drive system mates the already fuel-efficient 2.4-litre Theta II engine to a six-speed automatic transmission and a 30kW electric motor for maximum fuel economy.

> **"Consistent with Hyundai's pledge to lead all brands in U.S. fuel economy by 2015, Nuvis is powered by Hyundai's Hybrid Blue Drive architecture, which uses breakthrough lithium polymer battery technology."**

Hybrid Blue Drive has an all-electric mode and a parallel drive mode, meaning that the wheels are turned by power coming directly from the gasoline engine, or the electric motor, or both together, as conditions demand.

This parallel hybrid drive architecture will serve as the foundation for future Hyundai hybrid drive vehicles, starting with the next-generation Sonata.

Perched on top of 22-inch wheels, Nuvis' proportions are tall, strong and protective. The two body-side lines set up a flowing water effect, giving the appearance of motion.

Large gull-wing doors, either opened or closed, create unique front, rear and profile views.

Blue ambient lighting cast across the body adds to the overall upscale feel of the vehicle.

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MINI tribute to Harrison
Mini has created a modern version of late Beatles guitarist George Harrison's vintage car to coincide with the brand's 50th birthday. The one-off model will be handed over to Harrison's widow, Olivia Harrison. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Audi pumps it up

PETER BLEAKNEY
for Metro Canada

The four-seat 2010 Audi A5 and the hotter S5 Cabriolet (pictured) are arriving in Canada late summer.

In its bid to become the world's largest maker of premium automobiles, Audi recently showed off the latest arrow in its burgeoning quiver in the south of France.

Arriving in Canada in late summer, the four-seat 2010 Audi A5 and hotter S5 Cabriolet, both with quattro all-wheel-drive, will fill the void created by the departing previous generation A4 drop top. No Canadian pricing has been set, but rest assured, Audi wants to lure buyers away from the BMW 328i Cabriolet ($55,600) and the 335i Cabriolet ($65,600).

Audi is using a three-layer fabric top for this cabrio, giving the benefits of reduced complexity, weight and volume. Top up, it's a relief to see this car carries much of the A5 coupe's chiseled good looks.

With the roof tucked under the tonneau cover (15 seconds down, 17 seconds up, operates up to 50 km/h) it cuts quite a graceful profile. The brushed aluminum trim ringing the cabin is a lovely detail.

The folded top takes up only 60 litres of the generous 380 litre trunk, and the rear seat splits and folds, offering up to 750 litres of storage volume.

Carrying on Audi's tradition of class-leading interiors, the cabin is beautifully done, highlighted with wood inlays and/or brushed aluminum trim. You sit low in this cab, and the multi-adjustable driver's chair and manual tilt/telescope wheel make finding the optimal driving position a breeze. Back seat room is tolerable for adults as long as the front seats aren't pushed too far back.

Audi has borrowed a couple of ideas from its German rivals: Optional neck warming vents in the front seats like Mercedes' AirScarf, and specially treated leather seating surfaces that resist solar heat buildup, as first seen in the 2007 BMW M6 convertible.

With the windblocker in place (which stores in a compartment under the trunk floor) and the tri-level neck breeze on easy-bake, a good toque is about the only thing you'd need to drive this car topless (no, not that kind of topless) pretty much all year round in Canada.

The 2010 A5 Cabriolet carries a naturally aspirated 265 hp 3.2-litre FSI V6 mated to a 6-speed Tiptronic autobox. This proved a satisfying combination, delivering smooth performance that was well suited to the A5's mission as a comfy tourer.

Enthusiasts will opt for the S5 Cabriolet, which sports 18-inch wheel (up from 17) and a 333 hp supercharged TSFI 3.0-litre V6.

For much of this test route, which resembled the trajectory of a highly intoxicated sailor, horsepower was not a pressing issue. More pertinent was the ability of Audi's latest cabrio to provide good grip and balanced handling.

The quattro full-time all-wheel-drive with a default 60 per cent rear bias is a good start. Standard in the S5 Cabriolet is Audi drive select. A trio of buttons (comfort, auto and dynamic) call up pre-programmed groupings of throttle response, shift maps and servotronic steering assist. Naturally, "dynamic" is the most aggressive.

My S5 tester also featured the optional variable-rate dynamic steering and the new rear sport differential that will send torque to the outside rear wheel when cornering, essentially pushing the car around the bend.

2010 **A5/S5 Cabriolet**

Type: Sports sedan
Price: Not Available
Engine: 3.2L FSI V6/ 3.0L TFSI Supercharged V6
HP: 265/333
Torque: 243 lb-ft/324.5 lb-ft

Highlights

- Chiseled good looks
- Most likely to be cheaper than similar BMW models, although no price has been announced so far

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> **"When my husband and I are in the car, I usually let him drive. Because when I drive, he has a tendency to bite the dashboard."**
> Comedian Rita Rudner

Have you noticed? Anybody going slower than you is an idiot, and anyone going faster than you is a moron."

George Carlin said that once, and I believe the observation has more than a grain of truth about it.

Our assessment on whether or not some other driver is screwing up seems based not so much on if they're contravening the law — those are obvious signs — but more so if they are deviating from our more idiosyncratic, personal codes of driving behaviour.

That person following you, maybe three feet closer than you're comfortable with? Well, he's a maniac.

That person backing up traffic while waiting to make a left, and not taking advantage of a dicey gap in on-coming traffic — a gap you would have surely grabbed? That person is a menace to society.

That driver who approached an intersection with far too much caution, causing you to lose your God-given right to run that yellow light? Well, that person is a selfish oaf. How do they live with themselves?

Tolerance of other people's driving is tested even more if that other person is your spouse or significant other.

Here's comedian Rita Rudner on the topic: "When my husband and I are in the car, I usually let him drive. Because when I drive, he has a tendency to bite the dashboard."

(I'm just going to move right along here and not discuss my wife's driving.)

One strategy I'm trying, to stay cool behind the wheel, is imagining that whatever boneheaded move the other driver just did, was an aberration, a slip up they usually don't make.

But I'm not there yet. I generally assume they're hardened, amoral criminal types, and it's my duty to lay on as much horn as possible.

Another strategy I'm working on is shortening my list of driving pet peeves. Not there yet either.

The thing that has helped me the most, however, in the battle to stay calm, is anticipating debatable behaviour.

Advanced driving courses always instil the notion of self-defence. Quickly identify situations where an ill-advised move by the other driver will put you at risk, and assume the worst.

If they make the right move, that's fine.

But if they cross your line, or the one that police actually use, and you've reacted correctly and gracefully and with a world-weary smirk, well, that's even finer.

Michael Goetz has been writing about cars and editing automotive publications for more than 20 years. He lives in Toronto with his family and a neglected 1967 Jaguar E-type.

Fighting crime, going green

HYBRIDS Forty Nissan Altima hybrids are the first alternative fuel vehicles to be used as marked and unmarked patrol cars in the New York Police Department's fleet.

The Altima hybrids will patrol areas of the city where their fuel efficiency presents economic and environmental benefit — both in precincts with a large coverage area and smaller precincts prone to heavy stop-and-go traffic.

The 40 hybrid vehicles — 22 will be unmarked — will be used in all five boroughs.

"These new patrol cars will help fulfill the goal of reducing City government's carbon footprint," said Mayor Michael Bloomberg. "Through savings in fuel, these Altimas can quickly cover their additional cost, from then they will save taxpayers money."

While the Altima hybrids are the first alternate fuel vehicles to be used as regular police cars, the NYPD already uses hybrid vehicles in its parking enforcement fleet as well as electric scooters. **FROM CARGUIDE**

It’s bumpy in California
California’s major urban roadways are the roughest in the U.S., according to a report released by Transportation California. The road conditions cost an average driver in the state at least $590 US a year in extra vehicle operating costs. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

How cool is your car?

JUSTIN PRITCHARD
for Metro Canada

The hot weather is one of the most eagerly anticipated parts of the summer season if you’re a human being. If you’re a vehicle, the heat means additional strain on vital components during towing, hauling and long family trips.

Poorly maintained parts tend to show themselves when vehicles are pushed to extremes.

As such, a sweltering summer day is a fantastic time for overheating, driveline failure or engine damage, if your cooling system isn’t performing properly. Any of the above will leave you stranded on the roadside with a car full of sweaty, irritated and cranky family members. Fortunately, readying your cooling system for warm-weather travelling is a relatively quick and painless endeavour.

In addition to keeping your engine running at its ideal operating temperature, your cooling system may play a part in keeping other components, like your transmission, from overheating as well. Your cooling system works by circulating coolant throughout the engine to absorb and remove the tremendous heat it generates while running.

Over time, the effectiveness of the coolant diminishes, and a coolant change is required. This occurs in varying intervals for different vehicles, or on an “as-needed” basis as advised by your mechanic. Forget when your coolant was changed last? It’s probably overdue.

If your ride is dripping green fluid and you’re planning a road trip anyways, you’re asking for trouble. Overheating can quickly lead to engine failure and permanent, catastrophic damage. Cooling system repairs tend to be considerably more affordable than an engine replacement.

A periodic radiator flush is also advisable to remove harmful sludge from within the cooling system. Sludge may accumulate within the radiator and hoses over time, reducing effectiveness and component life.

Protecting your engine from the heat this summer is only half the battle — and you’ll want to make sure you and your passengers benefit from a reliable and effective air conditioning system. If your A/C seems hesitant to blow cold, or if it isn’t cooling the cabin as quickly as you remember, an inspection is in order. This can often reveal a small problem before it escalates into a much larger and pricier one.

For instance, a leaking A/C line or fitting may allow air, moisture or other contaminants into the system. This can cause a world of trouble and result in serious damage. Air and moisture mixing with refrigerant is bad news — so fixing a leak early on can save money, not to mention preventing potentially harmful chemicals from winding up in the atmosphere.

A simple mechanical or electrical failure could result in improper operation of the A/C system, too.

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RVs roll on

Though U.S. motorhome manufacturers have seen demand evaporate as a result of the current economic downturn and credit crunch, analysts are upbeat about the sector, arguing that the market for motorhomes will come back. **REUTERS**

Travel

Booming business

A new survey by Destination Weddings & Honeymoons magazine forecasts that— despite the recession — the market for such weddings will grow to $16 billion US this year from $13 billion in 2008, extending a winning streak that has seen the market boom from just $3 billion in 2001. REUTERS

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The wide world of garden tours

If you're into horticulture, here's your travel to-do list

EMMA E. FORREST
Metro World News

Green is chic — why not spend your holiday paying homage to the great outdoors with a garden-themed trip?

British Flower Shows

The British are obsessed with their gardens. The highpoints of the British garden lover's year are the RHS flower shows. The most famous of these is the prestigious Chelsea Flower Show at the end of May, where top garden designers compete for the finest show garden and the latest gardening trends are set.

However, the insider's choice is the Hampton Court Palace Flower show in July — it's bigger and less crowded. There's an inspiring range of displays from small gardens to front yards, family-friendly planting, extravagant conceptual designs, vegetable patches and how to make your garden sustainable, (rhs.org.uk)

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Above left, a display at the Waterlily House at London's Kew Gardens. Above right, a Zen garden at Japan's Ryoanji Temple.

If trekking round the shows hasn't satiated your needs for horticultural inspiration, then pay a visit to the famous 250-year-old botanical gardens at Kew, in London. These stunning grounds are home to a palace, themed gardens, a tree top walkway, and impressive plant collections housed in extravagant greenhouses; visit kew.org.

Bulbs in Benelux

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Bowing out of the Bahamas

A five-star, Four Seasons resort in the Bahamas will close its doors this month after it was put into receivership nearly two years ago due to mounting financial losses. The Four Seasons Resort Great Exuma is to close May 26 and is no longer accepting reservations. **REUTERS**

JAPANESE NATIONAL TOURIST ORGANIZATION

Above left, a view of the garden at Saiho-ji Temple in Kyoto, Japan. Above right, the Palm House at Kew Gardens is a massive Victorian glass structure containing a world-class collection.

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The best place to enjoy these bold flowers is at Keukenhof, the world's largest flower garden where they are laid out in vast multicoloured carpets.

Established 60 years ago as an exhibition at which growers from the flower bulb industry could present their latest flowers, it's now a sort of fabulous floral theme park.

Every year seven million flower bulbs in 1,600 different varieties supplied by 93 different exhibitors are planted throughout this 32 hectare estate. You can admire the configurations of different colours and shapes of bulb, and of course buy some to take home afterwards; details at keukenhof.nl.

Zen gardens of Japan

You might have missed the spring cherry blossoms in Tokyo, but there are plenty more opportunities to enjoy the flora of Japan. Far from the fussy, flowery gardens of Europe and the U.S., these gardens found in the grounds of Buddhist temples, historic castles and private homes, are carefully-constructed minimalist havens, with gravel paths, sparse planting, artfully-placed rocks, pavilions, bridges, tranquil ponds and relaxing water features. Some gardens are religious, others ceremonial, artistic or designed for strolling through.

Kyoto is awash with splendid examples, including those in the grounds of the city's 13 World Heritage Sites, including the gardens at Nijo Castle Ninomaru, Tenryu-ji Temple, Kiyomizu-dera Temple, the beautiful moss garden of Saiho-ji Temple, and the rock garden at Kinkaku-ji Temple, where nature is represented by stones and gravel swept into simple patterns with a broom; jnto.go.jp.

Biodiversity in Costa Rica

Flora and fauna fans will be overwhelmed by the diversity that Costa Rica has to offer.

This tiny country in Central America country covers only 0.1 per cent of the world's landmass, but is home to five per cent of global biodiversity.

Almost a quarter of the country is made up of national parks, protected by the environmentally-conscious government. These tropical paradises are home to a bounty of more than 100,000 exotic and colourful plant species, alongside thousands of types of animals and birds.

Highlights include the botanical gardens of the Centro Neotropico SarapiquiS Gardens, the Arenal Botanical Gardens, the Elsie Kientzler Botanical Garden, the botanical gardens of CATIE, the aerial tour of the Braulio Carrillo National Park, the La Paz Waterfall Gardens which is full of butterflies and hummingbirds and the Lankester Botanical Gardens in San Jose, home to more than a thousand varieties of orchid; check out visitcostarica.com.

Tropical gardens in Madeira

There's more to this Portuguese island in the middle of the Atlantic than the sweet wine. Madeira is known for its exotic flora and a visit will not disappoint garden fans — the tropical climate and the volcanic soil create perfect conditions for growing all manner of exotic plants from gardenias and freesias to hibiscus, agapanthus, mimosa, bougainvillea and orchids. All of these flowers are on show in the wealth of well-tended gardens including the Botanical Gardens, the Tropical Gardens of Monte Palace with its collection of cycads, the Garden of Quinta da Boa Vista, with its collection of orchids, as well as private gardens like Quinta Palmeira and Quinta do Palheiro, famous for its camelias.

Another great way to discover the spectacular scenery is to take a walk along the levadas, a series of water channels created to bring water from the highlands to the lower parts of the island; details at madeiratourism.org.

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The plane to Spain

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Where to be seen in Miami

Check out these hip new South Beach bars

TheTravelJunkie

Julia Dimon

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Strolling along palm-tree lined Ocean Drive, against a backdrop of pastel-coloured Art Deco buildings, I feel like I'm part of a postcard.

This is South Beach, a celebrity playground of restaurants, bars, salsa clubs and Miami vices; home to luxury lifestyles, reality-TV tattoo shops and the world famous diet. Dubbed America's Riviera and the Latin Hollywood, Miami draws a wide range of tourist types, from snowbirds to university students and sun-worshippers to trendsetters.

For those looking to party, South Beach is the place to be, with what seems like an endless supply of bars to choose from. If you want to party like a rock star but feel overwhelmed by all the options, here are a few places to start:

Gansevoort South Hotel:

The Gansevoort South, a hip hotel on Collins Avenue, is a favourite among Miami's beautiful people. Walk past the lobby's 50-foot-long shark tank and take the elevator to Plunge, a poolside lounge overlooking the ocean, the city and a tree-fringed infinity pool. From there, check out Louis, a vampish Versailles-themed VIP lounge; gansevoortsouth.com.

Skybar at Shore Club

Enjoy the perfect weather at Redroom garden, a chill landscaped patio of tropical plants and eclectic Moroccan-themed design. Sauntering around this communal space, you can wander from Rumbar, which serves up 75 different kinds of rum, into Redroom, where you can dance the night away to hip hop and Top 40; shoreclub.com.

W South Beach Hotel

When in doubt, you can't go wrong with W. With slick architecture, high design and a pulse on what's cool, the new W South Beach Hotel (set to open June 16) is a sure bet.

The Wall nightclub, an ultra lounge open as late as 4 a.m. Fridays to Mondays, boasts specialty drinks and gold-and-black decor; starwoodhotels.com.

Casa Casuarina

Sip cocktails at Casa Casuarina, the infamous residence of the late Italian fashion designer Gianni Versace. In this historic-house-turned-celebrity-compound, Versace hosted stars such as Madonna and Elton John until his untimely death in July of 1997, when he was murdered on the steps of this beach-front villa. Once a private members-only club, this 1930s landmark now welcomes tourists for dinner, cocktails and tours (offered daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at $65 US per person); casacasuarina.com.

Mynt Lounge

With a tight door policy and a long list of celebrity guests, Mynt is at the top of many trendsetters' lists. It's not easy to get into, but once beyond the velvet rope, partiers will find A-list fashionistas dancing to the beat of international DJs and breathing in the club's aromatherapy-scented air. This is a place where you must dress to impress; myntlounge.com.

VIP help

If you don't want to battle lineups or doormen, SoBeVIPs, a nightlife company aimed at taking the hassle out of South Beach partying, can help you out. They offer limo transportation, VIP bottle service and party passes (a package that includes cover charge, a drink and line-up free entry before 12:30 a.m.); sobevips.com.

Julia Dimon is co-host of Word Travels, airing on OLN; juliadimon.com.

W HOTELS

The Wall, the new hot bar at the W South Beach.

GANSEVOORT SOUTH

SHORE CLUB

Left, the Versailles-inspired Louis lounge at the Gansevoort South. Right, the Skybar at Shore Club.

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Lung injury caused by stunts
Mariska Hargitay has revealed the partially collapsed lung she has experienced since January was caused by doing her own stunts on the set of Law and Order: SVU. **PEOPLE.COM**

Entertainment

Gump dump

Tom Hanks has denied speculation he is set to reprise the role of Forrest Gump for a movie based on Winston Groom's follow-up novel Gump and Co. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

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Cut a rug, bust a gut

New comedy spoofs the dance movie genre

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

Movie feature

If imitation is the sincerest form of flattery, then those responsible for the genre of the dance movie should be gushing with pride.

After all, this weekend will see the theatrical release of Dance Flick, the latest in a cinematic tradition of recent comedy spoofs like the successful Scary Movie series, Superhero Movie and Date Movie. It seems in popular culture, you aren't a genre until you've been spoofed.

But while Dance Flick borrows its punchlines from such recent hits as Step Up, Save the Last Dance and High School Musical, the most successful dance films in Hollywood hit the screen decades earlier when John Travolta defined the genre by stretching himself into a pair of white polyester slacks for 1977's Saturday Night Fever.

Not only did that classic film receive its own spoof treatment (Airplane!) but it still reigns at the top of the dance genre having grossed over $94 million US since its release. Other hits like Flashdance, Footloose and Dirty Dancing successfully followed and now define many of the films we see today.

"Dancing movies are good because they have a formula," once stated Step Up star Channing Tatum. And he's correct. Unlike many musicals, dance films rely on choreography to progress the plot of a story.

While movies like Hairspray include both choreography and song, the dance genre defines conflict of character through the art; the protagonist must advance through dance.

But why are movie audiences so attracted to dance flicks in the first place? The answer may be more intuitive than you think. According to a recent article in Scientific American; our brains are stimulated by viewing coordinated movements.

In fact, biologically-speaking, dance films share a great deal in common with action movies like Fast & Furious and Star Trek. See, not unlike the rush we get from watching high-speed car chases or a bar brawl featuring James T. Kirk, anecdotal evidence shows that "if you're watching someone dance, your brain's movement areas activate" as if you were participating yourself.

Essentially, you get the euphoric sensation without the muscle-strain. So quite literally, we are living vicariously through dance movies. Now, doesn't that make you want to Step Up to the box office and buy a ticket?

Dance film rentals

- Step Up
- Dirty Dancing
- Save the Last Dance
- Strictly Ballroom
- Girl's Just Want to Have Fun
- Flashdance
- Stomp the Yard
- Footloose

Tyler (Ross Thomas) prepares to dance with Nora (Christina Murphy) in the comedy spoof Dance Flick, opening this week.

Star align for CBS fall schedule

TV Alex O'Loughlin, is back on CBS with the new medical drama Three Rivers.

The network went mostly for star vehicles in its first new series picks for next season with Rivers; the NCIS spin-off, toplined by LL Cool J and Chris O'Donnell; legal drama The Good Wife, starring Julianna Margulies; and the Jenna Elfman-starring comedy Accidentally on Purpose.

Law & order back for 20th season

TV Law & Order will match Gunsmoke's record 20-year run.

NBC has renewed Dick Wolf's crime drama for a 20th season, sources said. The order is believed to be for 16 episodes.

Wolf had been open about his desire to tie Gunsmoke for the longest-running drama on TV. **REUTERS**

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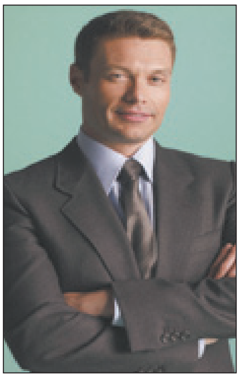
American Idol

Expect powerhouse ratings, as always for the two-hour conclusion of the show's season finale, as the top 13 contestants reunite onstage for a last time, before host Ryan Seacrest — after shamelessly milking the suspense, as usual — finally reveals who is the newest American Idol. 8 PM on CTV



Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest

Elizabeth kisses Jack? What the —? In this second installment of the "Pirates" trilogy, Will and Elizabeth's (Orlando Bloom, Keira Knightley) wedding is interrupted with a stay in jail. But they'll be allowed to tie the knot if Will brings in Captain Jack (Johnny Depp), who's trying to escape from Davy Jones. But is Miss Swann going to stay behind? Heck, no! That would be smart. But not everything goes bad; Will meets his barnacle-encrusted dad. 8 PM on ABC

Brooke bares her cougar side

Brooke Shields strips to down to lingerie and latex thigh-highs in a new, cougar-tastic photo spread for Australia's Kurv magazine that features her up close with a younger man, tvguide.com reports. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Celebrity Buzz

Hilary reimagines Bonnie

REINTERPRETATION Hilary Duff thinks her upcoming film The Story of Bonnie and Clyde will be "beautiful," femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The 21-year-old singer and actress will play teenage outlaw Bonnie Parker in the new movie and says she can't wait to get started.

She said: "I'm really excited. I think it's going to be really beautiful. We're shooting in the South, and we want to really show how hot and dry it is ... and the clothes! It's a tragic love story, and that's what we want to get across.

"People don't realize that they were, like 18 years old doing this. In the version in '67, with Faye Dunaway and Warren Beatty, they were already adults, but Bonnie and Clyde were actually teenagers. So they were very ahead of their time. They were rebels, you know?"

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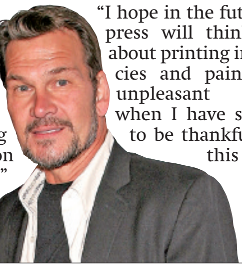
Swayze's death report false



STILL GOING Patrick Swayze, whose battle with pancreatic cancer was first announced last year, has not died, contrary to a false rumour that was widely circulated yesterday morning, the actor's rep tells People exclusively.

"This is to confirm that Patrick Swayze did not pass away this morning contrary to severely reckless reports stemming from a radio station in Jacksonville, Fla.," says Annett Wolf.

"Patrick Swayze is alive, well and is enjoying his life and he continues to respond to treatment."

Since news of his disease was made public, Swayze, 56, has been the subject of speculation about his health.

In March, he told People: "I hope in the future, the press will think twice about printing inaccuracies and painting an unpleasant picture when I have so much to be thankful for at this time."

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Starlet showdown on set?

FIGHT FIGHT FIGHT! Gwyneth Paltrow is reportedly jealous of the attention Scarlett Johansson is receiving on the set of Iron Man 2, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

A source said: "Gwyneth has become very frustrated with Scarlett. They come from different worlds and have completely different styles. "Gwyneth has found Scarlett very demanding for the attention of the crew. It's not a happy set."

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Mel's girlfriend pregnant?

GETTY IMAGES

BABY MAMA DRAMA Mel Gibson's new girlfriend is reportedly pregnant, according to femalefirst.co.uk.

The Lethal Weapon star — who already has seven children with estranged wife Robyn — and Russian singer Oksana Grigorieva are said to be expecting their first child together in the autumn.

It has been claimed Gibson, 53, has already told Robyn and their children the news, although it wasn't well-received.

A source told the National Enquirer magazine: "In late April, Mel gathered his children at the family home in Malibu and broke the news that Oksana is pregnant, and he expects them to accept the baby as a new sibling.

"They are quite upset. Even though Mel assured them the pregnancy was unplanned, they're furious with him, and say they're going to take steps to protect their inheritance, which they feel is in jeopardy."

Robyn filed for divorce in April, citing "irreconcilable differences," and she is expected to get half Gibson's fortune.

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Marital woes sparks house sale?

PEOPLE LeAnn Rimes and her songwriter husband Dean Sheremet are saying goodbye to their home just outside Nashville, people.com reports.

"LeAnn and Dean's home is on the market," the singer's rep confirms of the $7.45-million US property, which was completed in 2008 and features six bedrooms, 7-½ bathrooms, plus exercise and media rooms.

The decision to sell is not related to reports that Rimes, 26, allegedly had an affair with her Lifetime TV-movie co-star Eddie Cibrian, 35, a friend of the country singer tells People.

Rimes and Sheremet, 28, are committed to their relationship, which has its ups and downs, says Rimes' friend. "(LeAnn and Dean) are still having challenges and trying to work through them. They're working on their marriage."

On Sunday, Rimes was spotted chatting with Cibrian, 35, who's married to model Brandi Glanville, 36, at a Los Angeles Lakers basketball game. Her pal says it was not a planned meeting.

"That was totally random," says the friend. "They both just happened to be at the game."

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Jack's temper runs high

INTERNAL STRIFE Jack White punched one of his female bandmates during an alcohol-fuelled night out, femalefirst.co.uk alleges.

The rocker reportedly hit Dead Weather partner Alison Mosshart after getting into an argument with her in a New York bar.

A source told Britain's The Sun: "Jack and Alison went on a mammoth all-day session when they met up in New York. They sunk a lot of alcohol and ended up at each others' throats. It was a one-off scrap and they both feel really ashamed.

"But they are over it now and have promised each other they won't get into that state again."

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Long distance a relationship killer for Leona

TOO BAD Though still in love, singer Leona Lewis and her longtime boyfriend Al-Chamma — who've been together since they were 10 — are splitting up, a source told Britain's Star. "Her career is doing so well ... Unfortunately, this leaves her very little time to work on her relationship."

METRO WORLD NEWS

Carmen joins burlesque show

CAREER MOVE? Carmen Electra is getting ready to strip down — but not completely — in a new Las Vegas show. She's set to start in July in the topless cabaret Crazy Horse at the MGM Grand.

"She's not going topless, but she will be wearing very little. She's going to wear whatever she is comfortable with," a rep for the show said, according to media reports.

Electra added: "It is such an iconic show and I was in awe after seeing it for the first time. The dancers and the performers are so sensual and sexy."

METRO WORLD NEWS

Eminem smooths over Mimi beef

BACKPEDAL? Eminem has apparently smoothed over the feud he started with Nick Cannon and Mariah Carey over lyrics in one of his new songs that caused Cannon to retaliate.

"I heard about some of the things he was saying," Eminem said in an interview with BBC Radio. "I didn't read his blog or anything. But it is what it is. He's supposed to defend his wife, and I expected him to do that. But at the end of the day, it's a line I said. It's a song. What I actually meant to say is, I wish them the best. That's the whole message of the record."

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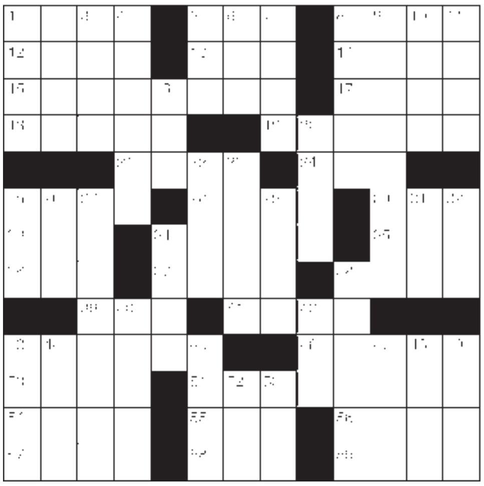

Crossword across

1 Bottlenose kin
5 Winter ailment
8 Reed instrument
12 Lummox
13 — -relief
14 Industrial region of Germany
15 Household arachnid
17 Actress Argento
18 Old photo shade
19 Copies
21 Skin abnormality
24 Vast expanse
25 North American peninsula, for short
28 Persia, now
30 Prized possession
33 Ostrich's cousin
34 Pizza dough
35 Ms. Thurman
36 USO audience
37 For fear that
38 Call a halt to
39 Skater Babilonia
41 Racetrack "helper"
43 Not digital, as a watch
46 Expire, as a subscription
50 Mongolian desert
51 U.S. area where industry once thrived
54 Tel —
55 Cleo's slayer
56 Slender
57 Assess
58 Chesapeake, e.g.
59 Exile isle

Crossword down

1 Automaker Ransom Eli —
2 Libertine
3 Point
4 Theseus' land
5 Grp. that caught Dillinger
6 Long. crosser
7 Secondhand
8 Speechify
9 Work really hard (for)
10 Columbus is there
11 History chapters
16 Has permission
20 "Money — everything"
22 Paddock papa
23 Have faith in
25 Plead
26 Parisian pal
27 Very slightly
29 Regarding
31 Comic Philips
32 Chart
34 Advertising award
38 Not wobbly
40 Breathing
42 Last (Abbr.)
43 Culture medium
44 PBS science show
45 Snatch
47 Rind
48 Thick chunk
49 Sicilian spouter
52 — Today
53 Agent

Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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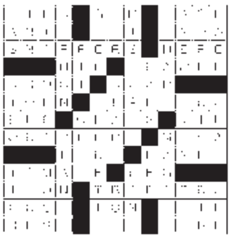

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7	1	2	9	6	3	5	4	8
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8	9	1	7	3	2	6	5	4
6	2	5	8	1	4	7	9	3
4	3	7	6	9	5	8	2	1

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SUDOKU SOLVE TIME:

Under 13 min	Genius
13-17 min	Scholar
17-21 min	Smart
21-25 min	Not bad
25+ min	Keep practising

Metro Recipe of the Day

Grandma Margaret's Barley Soup

INGREDIENTS:

3 1/2 cups (875 ml) low-sodium vegetable or beef broth
12 oz (375 g) fresh green or wax beans, trimmed and cut into bite-size pieces
1 large potato, peeled and cubed
1 large yellow onion, chopped
2 large carrots, sliced
3 bay leaves
1/4 tsp (1 ml) each salt and black pepper
2 cups (500 ml) bite-size pieces cooked beef, pork or tofu
1 can (14 oz/398 ml) low-sodium tomatoes, undrained and cut up
1/2 cup (125 ml) quick-cooking barley
1 tsp (5 ml) dried rosemary leaves

METHOD:

1. In large pot, combine broth, green beans, potato, onion, carrots, bay leaves, salt and pepper. Bring to boil. Lower heat and simmer, covered, until vegetables are almost tender, 20 minutes.
2. Stir in beef, tomatoes, barley and rosemary. Bring to boil. Lower heat and simmer, covered, until barley is tender, 15 minutes. Discard bay leaves.

SERVES 6

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Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

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ARIES
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
Don't be too serious about life — have some fun. As the Sun moves into the most outgoing area of your chart today, you will easily make friends.

LIBRA
SEPT 23-OCT 23
A plan you have been working on in secret is now ready to be revealed. But if you leave it a few days, say until the 24th, the impact will be even greater.

TAURUS
APRIL 21-MAY 21
The sun leaves your birth sign today but that does not mean your luck is about to turn. There will be plenty of good things over the next few days.

SCORPIO
OCT 24-NOV 22
You need to start looking ahead and making plans for the proverbial "rainy day." A bit of forward thinking will do wonders for your peace of mind.

GEMINI
MAY 22-JUNE 21
The sun is beginning its journey through your birth sign but you must be patient. Hold off on your plans until the moon is new at the weekend.

SAGITTARIUS
NOV 23-DEC 21
The sun's transit of the partnership area of your chart over the next four weeks or so will require you to be cooperative rather than combative.

CANCER
JUNE 22-JULY 22
Cancerians are sensitive and cosmic activity around the most introverted area of your chart means it's possible you will withdraw into yourself.

CAPRICORN
DEC 22-JAN 20
This is the ideal time to look more closely at your everyday routines and habits and think of ways you can improve and update them.

LEO
JULY 23-AUG 23
Friendships are of the utmost importance now and it is likely that you will meet someone who becomes your bosom buddy over the next few weeks.

AQUARIUS
JAN 21-FEB 18
The sun's entry into the most dynamic area of your chart today will give you a kick-start to get your big idea off the drawing board and on to the streets.

VIRGO
AUG 24-SEPT 22
The sun's transit of the midheaven angle of your chart will bring new opportunities and make you aware of how much more is possible in your work.

PISCES
FEB 19-MARCH 20
You need to get close to someone you have drifted away from emotionally since the start of the year. Make an effort to see their point of view.

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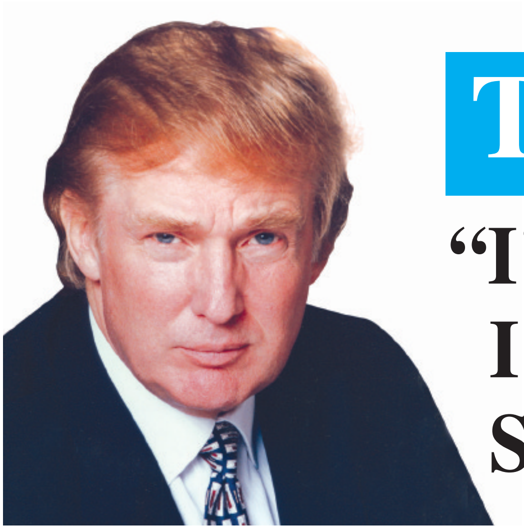
An Open Letter From Donald Trump To All Vancouver Area Residents Who Want To Get Rich In Real Estate & Business!



Trump Tells All!

"I've Made Billions And Now I want To Share My Success Secrets With You!"

– Donald Trump,
Executive Producer, The Apprentice,
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Dear Vancouver Area Resident,

Have you seen my TV show, *The Apprentice*? It's been one of the top rated shows on NBC for eight consecutive seasons!

Not only that, it has made me a media phenomenon and forever changed my life.

And now, at the age of 62, I've decided to make a bold move to share my knowledge and experience in such a way that it could be a great advantage to you.

What Kind Of Advantage?

The best kind of advantage; the kind of advantage that could make you money and make you rich.

If you are seriously interested in hearing what I have to say about being successful, about making money and about getting rich, please read every word of this letter carefully. It contains an invitation for you to discover what has taken me the better part of my life to learn and put into action.

Please let me explain.

Before *The Apprentice,* I was famous for building the world's largest and most beautiful buildings, golf courses and casinos, and for being a marketing whiz when it comes to succeeding in business. Everywhere I went people treated me like royalty and I was generally considered a big shot.

Everything Has Changed!

Because of *The Apprentice,* everything has changed. I have truly become a household word, globally. Everywhere I go people say something to me. Sometimes they say, "Trump, you're fired!" Or, "You're hired!" But always, they greet me with respect, humor and friendship. It's like they know me personally.

I love that!

With this monumental fame there comes a great responsibility (and an enormous opportunity) to make a huge contribution to the North American economy.

Something Extraordinary For You!

Since the amazing success of *The Apprentice,* I have been wondering what to do with this new power of worldwide fame. Recently I got the idea to do something truly extraordinary and totally outside of the box.

What I've decided is that I want to train and educate the next generation of real estate moguls and business entrepreneurs. Why?

There are two very good reasons:

Reason #1:

America's been very good to me and my family and this is a great way I can give back to the country and help stimulate real economic growth.

Reason #2:

I believe that what I have to share will create so much success for my students, that I will leave a legacy as being the father of modern real estate acquisition and entrepreneurial success.

You see, one thing you should know about me is that more than anything, I want to be known as a great businessman, maybe even the greatest!

That's why I have created Trump Institute.

Want To Know How I Do It?

Would you like to know how I buy and sell real estate? How I pick properties for huge profits and high yield equity gains?

Would you like to know what I look for when buying a business or starting a new business? If so, I'm inviting you to come to a special seminar introducing Trump Institute. At this seminar you'll see first hand the type of education I am offering.

Who Should Attend?

If you're asking yourself, "could this be the moment that changes everything for me?" All I can say is, you'll never know unless you try.

Your Success Depends On You!

Ultimately, your success depends on you, and with my help, you can get an education and an advantage that has not only proven to work for me, but it has also worked for many of the world's richest men and women.

You see, in my quest to be the best, I have sought the advice and guidance from people who have also experienced mega-billionaire success. I have incorporated their techniques and experiences into my own personal treasure chest of successful business and real estate knowledge, strategies, and wisdom.

A Powerful Team of Experts!

I also have an incredible team of business entrepreneurs and real estate mavens (very talented experts), who deliver my material and my lessons.

These are men and women who are highly successful professionals in business and real estate. They speak from my lips to your ears and they back it up with experience, knowledge and wisdom. I wouldn't put my name on it any other way.

Money-Making Skills

Through this seminar you'll learn practical money-making advice about how to be successful in business and how I invest in real estate.

Here's just a sample of what you'll learn:

- **You are going to learn the Trump Way to get cash back when you BUY a property.**
- Learn the Trump Way to get other people to jump-start your business.
- **The Trump Way to find great deals in the hidden markets others don't know about.**
- The Trump Way to finance your business without putting up your house or risking personal liability.
- **The Trump Way to build YOUR real estate empire property by property**
- You will discover the Trump Way to make piles of cash.
- **You will learn the Trump Way to get the government to buy your product and rent your properties.**
- You'll see the Trump Way to negotiate with bankers—and win big!
- **The Trump Way to be your own boss—forever.**
- The Trump Way to build your retirement account quickly and live the lifestyle of your dreams.
- **The Trump Way to stop paying high taxes.**
- The Trump Way to build your Power Team—the right way.
- **The Trump Way to structure your business organization for maximum profit and protection.**
- The Trump Way to make terrific deals on real estate in a buyers OR sellers market.

If you're serious about winning in business or catching the world's greatest wave of real estate profits, come to this introductory seminar. There are more opportunities in business and real estate in the **Vancouver** area than ever before.

This Is Your Invitation

It is for this reason that I am making an absolutely irresistible invitation for you to attend my Trump Institute Introductory Seminar.

It's FREE!

Here's the deal: Admission is FREE, but you must call and make a reservation.

Sincerely,

Donald J. Trump

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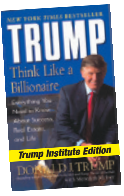

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